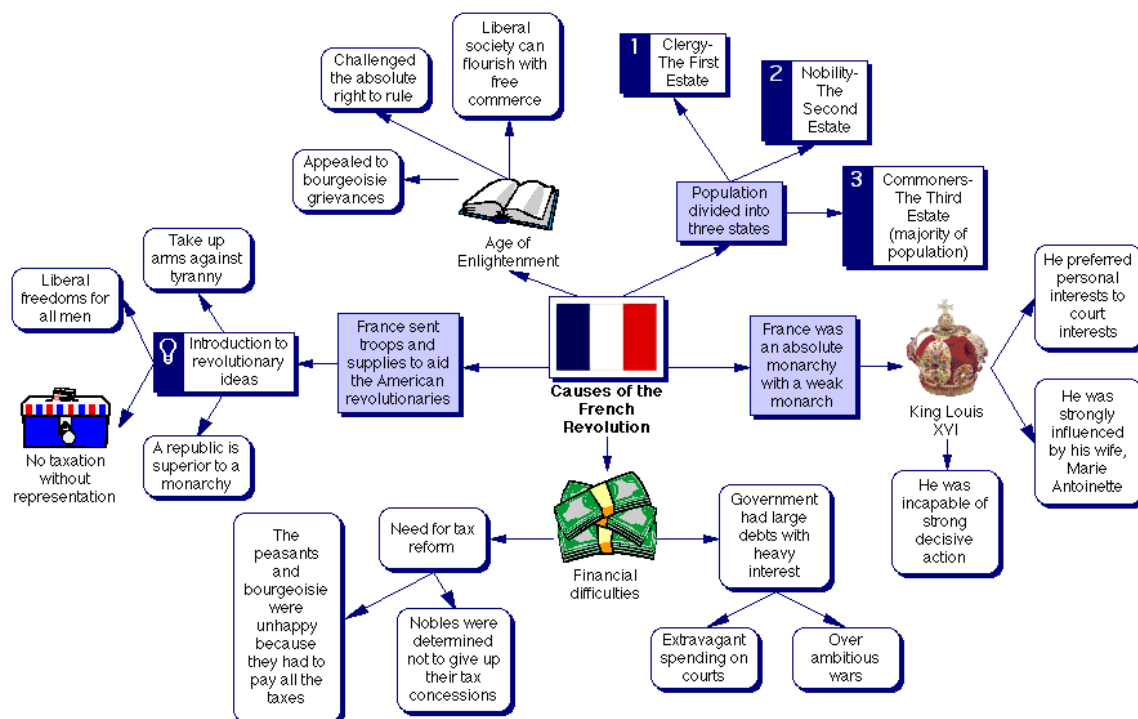


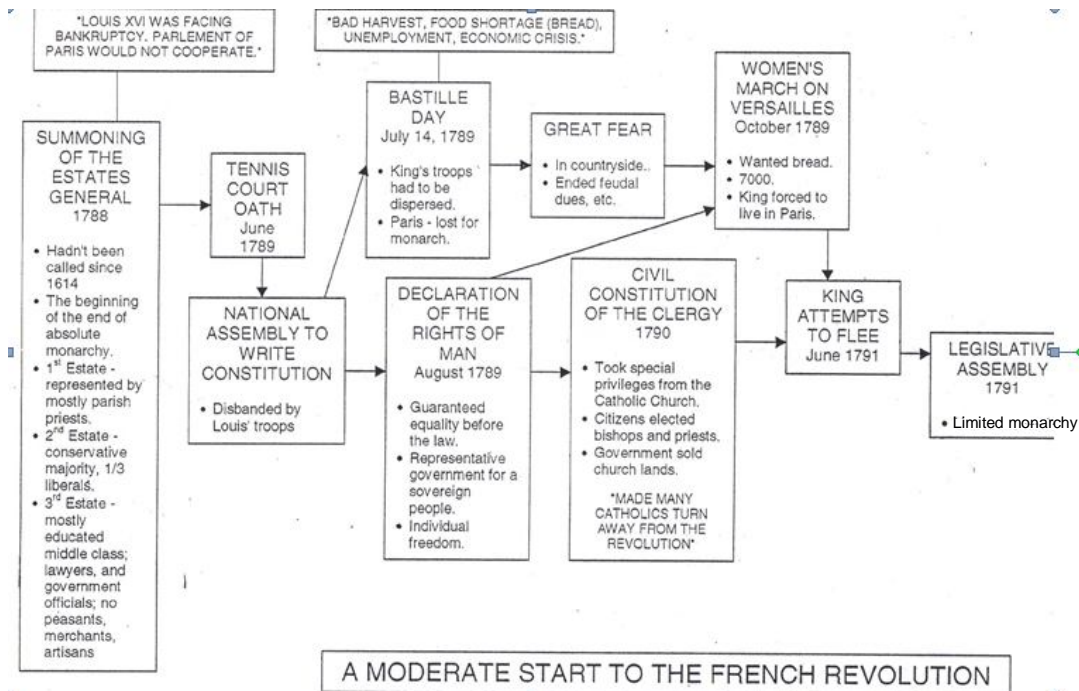
# The French Revolution

Entrance task: Women and the common people played a major role in pushing the revolution forward. Think of some *specific actions they took that helped move the revolution forward*

Today: Important documents

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## The Rocket

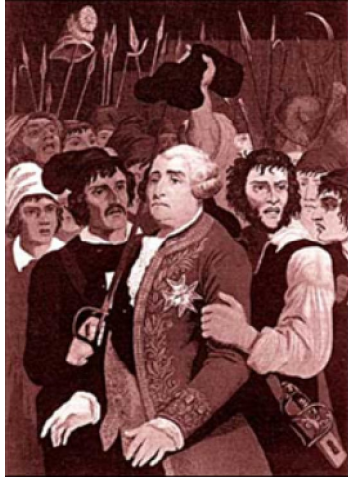
1<sup>st</sup> Stage  
Moderate  
reform

"The revolution is over!"

Constitution of 1791 - Legislative Assembly - limited monarchy  
 Civil Constitution of the Clergy - July 1790  
 Women's March on Versailles - Oct. 1789  
 Declaration of the Rights of Man - August 1789  
 The Great Fear - July-August 1789  
 Storming of the Bastille - July 14, 1789  
 Tennis Court Oath - June 1789  
 National Assembly - June 1789  
 Estates General met at Versailles - May 1789

Causes

Absolutism (Old Regime)      Rigid social structure      Enlightenment ideas  
 American Revolution  
 Economic crisis (debt, poor harvests, taxes, land ownership, etc.)



- They held their meetings in the library of a former Jacobin monastery in Paris.
- Started as a debating society.
- Membership mostly middle class.
- Created a vast network of clubs.

## ***The Sans-Culottes: The Parisian Working Class***

- Small shopkeepers.
- Tradesmen.
- Artisans.

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They shared many of the  
ideals of their middle class  
representatives in  
government!



## The



Depicted as Savages by a British Cartoonist.

## Marie Antoinette as



## *Cahiers of the Three Estates*

*A list of grievances to be presented at the meeting of the Estates General*

*All three:*

- \* expressed loyalty to the monarchy*
- \* accepted the Roman Catholic Church as the official church of the nation*
- \* called for a written constitution*
- \* called for an elected assembly*

### *Cahiers of 1st Estate*

*End to pluralism of bishops*

*Allow non-nobles to become bishops*

*Still banned Protestantism*

*Wanted RC as the only official religion*

### *Cahiers of 2nd Estate*

*89% voted to give up their financial privileges*

*Held that merit, not birth, should be the requirements to hold certain offices*

*Criticized the injustice of the Old Regime*



## *Cahiers of the Third Estate*

Wanted:

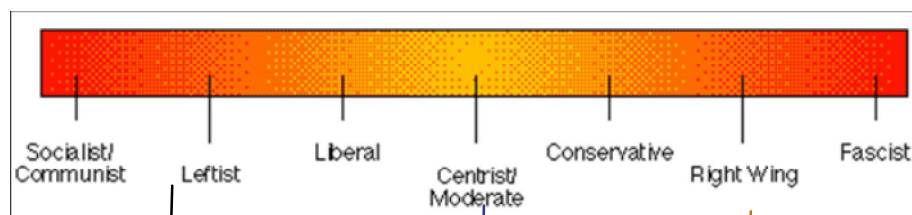
- \* equality & protection of natural rights - life, liberty, property
- \* tax equity of all people, regardless of status
- \* elimination of the "corvée"
- \* elimination of the sale of government offices & jobs based on merit, not birth\*

*Social and political equality*



## *The Political Spectrum*

TODAY:



1790s:

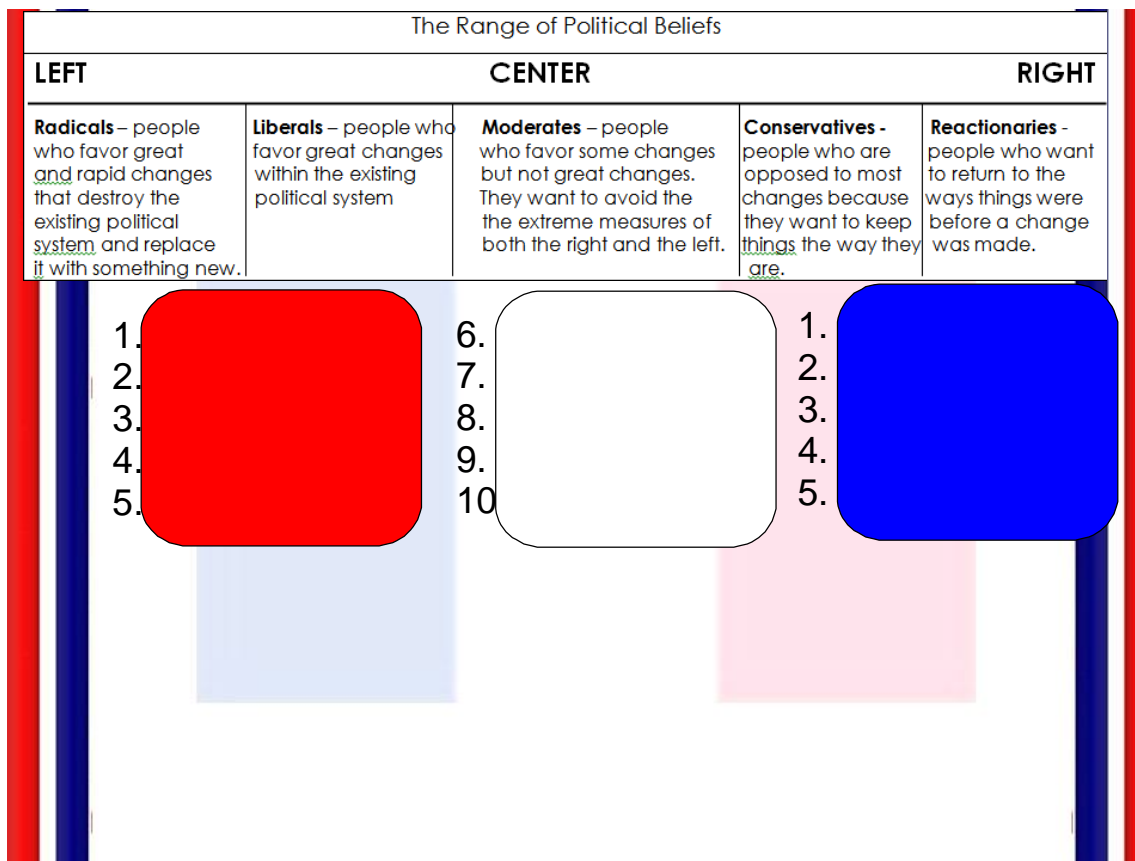
**Montagnards**  
("The Mountain")

**The Plain**  
(swing votes)

**Girondists**

**Monarchien**  
(Royalists)

**Jacobins**



## Important writers

Abbè Sieyès  
*What is the Third Estate?*  
 (1789)



Edmund Burke  
*Reflections on the Revolution in France* (1790)



Olympe de Gouges  
*Declaration of the Rights of Women & Citizen* (1791)



Mary Wollstonecraft  
*Vindication of the Rights of Women* (1792)



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